



Colorado River Basin Regional Water Quality Control Board

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING

(Public Notice 7-16-43)

You are invited to attend a Public Meeting regarding the Proposed Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) for OWB Packers, LLC Brawley Beef Plant BioFiltro® Wastewater Treatment Facility and Reclamation Areas in Brawley, CA.

Please join us on:

Date: Wednesday, January 4, 2017

Time: 5:30PM – 8:30PM

Location: Del Rio Branch Library, Community Center Room

1501 "I" Street, Brawley, CA 92227

Purpose of the Meeting

The purpose is to:

- Present information on the proposed new permit
- Listen to questions, comments, and concerns
- Answer Questions

Background

The beef plant has an existing onsite wastewater treatment facility (WWTF). A new permit for the beef plant is needed because the Discharger proposes to change the method of treatment and disposal of wastewater from its plant. Specifically, it proposes to abandon its pond-based unit treatment process; keep and use the primary screens, the DAFs, the SAF, and belt-filter press; and build and operate a BioFiltro® system as part of its new onsite wastewater treatment facility ("BioFiltro WWTF"). Treated wastewater from the BioFiltro will be used for irrigation of Bermuda grass. Board staff has prepared a new tentative permit (WDRs) for OWB Packers, LLC (Discharger), Brawley Beef Plant Biofiltro Wastewater Treatment Facility and Reclamation Areas located in Brawley, CA.

Public Comments

Comments regarding the proposed permit will be accepted through <u>January 6, 2017</u>. All relevant oral and written comments received at the meeting will be considered before the proposed permit is finalized for Board consideration of adoption on January 19, 2017. A copy of the proposed permit can be reviewed at the Colorado River Basin Regional Office, 73-720 Fred Waring Drive, Ste. 100, Palm Desert, CA 92260 or view it electronically at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/coloradoriver/board_decisions/.

If you require special accommodations, please contact Hilda Vásquez at (760) 776-8950 five (5) business days before the workshop. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1(800) 735-2929 or voice line at 1(800)735-2922. If you have questions concerning this matter, please contact Doug Wylie at (760) 776-8960.

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